

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

COLE BRIDGES,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,  
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant

Civil No. C07-5068RBL

ORDER FOR REMAND

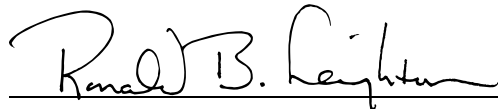
Based on the stipulation of the parties, it is ORDERED that the Commissioner's decision in regard to Plaintiff's applications be REVERSED and REMANDED to the Commissioner of Social Security for further administrative proceedings. On remand, the ALJ will: (1) update the medical records to clarify the severity of the claimant's alleged mental impairments; (2) further consider the medical opinion evidence, including opinions of Dan Neims, Psy.D., Carla van Dam, Ph.D., and Michael Brown, Ph.D.; (3) reassess the severity of the claimant's mental impairments pursuant to the regulations; (4) obtain medical expert testimony to clarify the nature and severity

1 of Plaintiff's impairments; and (5) if warranted by the expanded record, complete the sequential  
2 evaluation, consider DA&A pursuant to 20 C.F.R. §§ 404.1535 and 416.935, and issue a new  
3 decision.  
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5 The parties stipulate that this remand be made pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C.  
6 § 405(g), and that Plaintiff will be entitled to reasonable attorney fees and costs pursuant to  
7 28 U.S.C. §2412(d), upon proper request to this Court.

8 Judgment is for the Plaintiff and the file shall be closed.

9 DATED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.  
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13 RONALD B. LEIGHTON  
14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

15 Recommended for Entry:  
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17 /s/ J. Kelley Arnold  
18 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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